## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 364**

## By Hensley

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Andrew Whitney Lawson upon his top ten ranking in the 2009 graduating class at Lewis County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Whitney Lawson is one such exceptional student who recently ranked fourth in the 2009 graduating class at Lewis County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Andrew has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Andrew has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in a number of scholastic and civic organizations, including the Beta Club, the Math Club, the Science Club, and the French Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson displayed his many talents while participating as captain of the football team, for which he twice earned All-Region honors and was voted as the Region 6AA Most Valuable Defensive Back; he was also named to the All-Region Academic Team; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, he won numerous academic awards, including the United States Achievement Academy (U.S.A.A.) All American Award, the U.S.A.A. International Foreign Language Award, and the U.S.A.A. National English Merit Award; he was also selected as an alternate for Boy's State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Andrew's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Darrin and Wilma Lawson, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor Andrew Whitney Lawson upon ranking fourth in the 2009 Lewis County High School graduating class, applaud him for his remarkable academic success, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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